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Administrative Notes, June 11th, 1979

University of Texas at Tyler



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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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To: Board of Regents, Texas Eastern University
From: James H. Stewart, Jr. *[Signature]*
Subject: Administrative Notes

I. First Summer Term 1979 Enrollment

Fourth class day (Tuesday, June 5, 1979) records show First Summer Term 1979 enrollment to be 1007 students. Since further checking is required before the first summer term enrollment can be verified, this number is unofficial. The final and official count, however, will not vary a great deal from this figure. An enrollment of 1007 students represents a 4.1 percent increase over the enrollment of 967 students one year ago. Of course, I am very pleased that our healthy enrollment growth is continuing.

II. Communication from Chancellor E. D. Walker

Attached is a copy of Chancellor E. D. Walker's June 5, 1979 response to my letter of May 17, 1979 requesting a degree exchange option for Texas Eastern University graduates. As you will recall, I was requested by the Board of Regents on May 16, 1979 to submit a formal request to The University of Texas System that graduates of Texas Eastern University be permitted to exchange their degrees for The University of Texas at Tyler degrees following the official transfer on September 1, 1979. Although Chancellor Walker's letter is self-explanatory, I point out that he states the degree exchange is neither legally nor administratively appropriate. Hopefully, the possibility of a proper certificate which is discussed in the Chancellor's letter will provide our graduates with a viable alternative to that which you proposed through your May 16, 1979 resolution. If it is felt that further action is desirable relative to this matter, I will appreciate knowing the thoughts of board members.

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III. University of Texas System Staff Visits

Four University of Texas System staff members from the fiscal and personnel areas worked with our staff most of the day last Tuesday, June 5, 1979. Included in this group were Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs Joe E. Boyd, Jr., Comptroller Robert L. Anderson, Assistant Comptroller Thomas Michael Grady and Assistant Director for Personnel Programs Claude E. Hempel. The primary thrust of the fiscal work was directed toward providing information relative to The UT System budget format and other technical information concerning System procedures. In the personnel area, an analysis was begun of our institutional classified positions. Mr. Grady and Mr. Hempel will continue working with our staff periodically during the transition period.

During the next week or two, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Ernest T. Smerdon plans to be on campus for two days for the purpose of meeting with academic affairs personnel. Although Chancellor E. D. Walker has indicated that he desires to be on campus as soon as possible for a meeting with institutional personnel, he has been unable to set a specific date at this point.

IV. TEU Architect, Franklin D. Lawyer

According to the May/June 1979 issue of Texas Architect, official publication of the Texas Society of Architects, the designer of our Phase I facilities is one of eleven Texas architects elected to the American Institute of Architects' College of Fellows this year. Formal investiture was held last week at the AIA national convention. As you know, Franklin D. Lawyer is senior vice president of Caudill Rowlett Scott and won an earlier award for his design of TEU Phase I buildings. A copy of the magazine article mentioning our institution is attached for your information.

V. Report from Resident Engineer

Attached is a report from the director of physical plant and resident engineer for the week ending June 8, 1979.

VI. Expenditures for Period Beginning May 1, 1979

Attached is a copy of the expenditures for Texas Eastern University for the period beginning May 1, 1979 for your information and files.

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Attachments